AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace the claims, including all prior versions, with the listing of claims below.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1. (Currently amended) A magnetic linear drive (1) having, comprising:
 - a base; (2) and having
- a first movable part (6), which can be moved along an axis (5), wherein a first magnetic force effect for movement of the first movable part (6) can be produced between the base (2) and the first movable part (6), and a second magnetic force effect for movement of a second movable part (12) can be produced between the first movable part (6) and the second movable part (12), which can be moved along the axis (5), wherein characterized in that the second movable part (12) is mounted such that it can move on the first movable part (6).
- 2. (Currently amended) The magnetic linear drive-(1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that further comprising a first and a second permanent magnet-(10, 11) are aligned with respect to one another-in such-a way that, in a limit position of the magnetic linear drive-(1), the magnetic fluxes of the first permanent magnet-(10) and of the second permanent magnet-(11) are closed along a common path within a high-permeability multiple part core body.
- 3. (Currently amended) The magnetic linear drive (1) as claimed in one of claims 1 or 2, eharacterized in that claim 1, further comprising field windings (7, 8, 9) are arranged at a fixed angle with respect to the first movable part (6).
- 4. (Currently amended) The magnetic linear drive-(1) as claimed in one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that claim 1, wherein the second movable part-(12) is a plunger-type armature.
- 5. (Currently amended) The magnetic linear drive (1) as claimed in one of claims 1 to 4,

eharacterized in that claim 1, wherein each of the movable parts (6, 12) has an associated field winding (7, 8, 9).

- 6. (Currently amended) A method for operation of a magnetic linear drive having a base and a first movable part, which can be moved along an axis, wherein a first magnetic force effect for movement of the first movable part is produced between the base and the first movable part, and a second magnetic force effect for movement of a second movable part is produced between the first movable part and the second movable part, which can be moved along the axis, wherein the second movable part is mounted such that it can move on the first movable part, comprising (1) as claimed in one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that, during any movement of at least one of the movable parts (6, 12), separating a magnetic circuit which is fed jointly by a first permanent magnet (10) and a second permanent magnet (11) is separated within a high-permeability multiple part body into magnetic circuits which are fed separately, during movement of at least on of the movable parts.
- 7. (Currently amended) A method for operation of a magnetic linear drive (1) as claimed in one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that having a base and a first movable part, which can be moved along an axis, wherein a first magnetic force effect for movement of the first movable part is produced between the base and the first movable part, and a second magnetic force effect for movement of a second movable part is produced between the first movable part and the second movable part, which can be moved along the axis, wherein the second movable part is mounted such that it can move on the first movable part, comprising influencing the time sequence of the movements of the first and of the second movable part (6, 12) is influenced by means of a control apparatus, using at least one of the field windings (7, 8, 9).